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# ***How HRP Research Results Contribute to Human Space Exploration Risk Mitigation***

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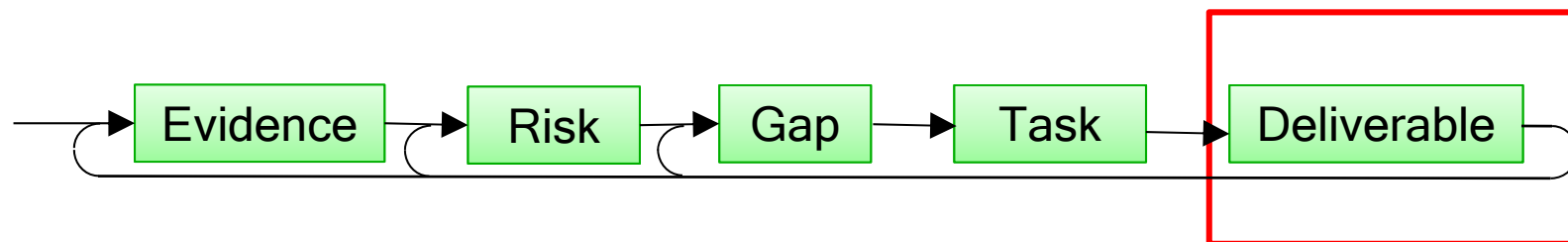


# Purpose

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- Provide an overview of the types of HRP deliverables
- Discuss how HRP deliverables contribute to the advancement of human space flight





# Types of Research Deliverables



## ➤ Publications:

- Build evidence base
- Support risk characterization
- Support research plan development



## ➤ Inform crew health and performance standards

## ➤ Develop technologies and countermeasures to meet the standards for crew health and performance

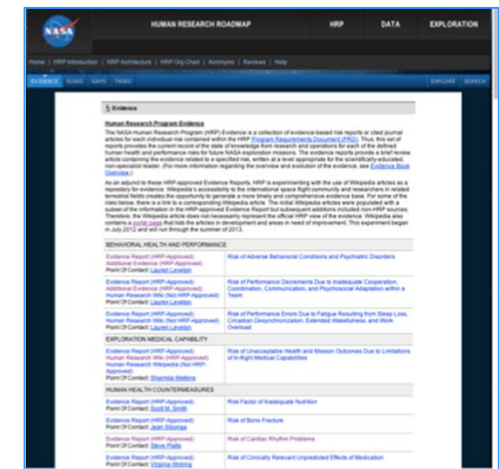
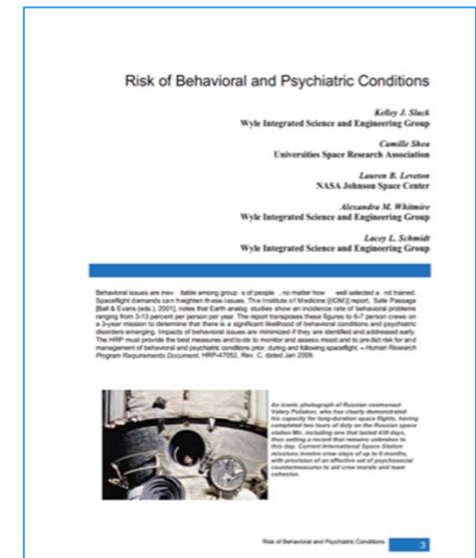
## ➤ Develop models



# Evidence Base



- Comprised of Evidence Reports, available on the HRP website:  
[humanresearchroadmap.nasa.gov/Evidence](http://humanresearchroadmap.nasa.gov/Evidence)
- Compilation of data from medical records, spaceflight operations, and research findings
- Provides record of the state of knowledge of each of the HRP risks
- Updated on an ongoing basis as new evidence emerges





# Risk Characterization

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- Evidence base is evaluated to determine whether there is sufficient evidence:
  - to support the establishment of a new risk
  - to change the research rating of an existing risk



## Research Ratings





# Research Plan Development

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- Evidence base is assessed to determine whether evidence and/or technology gaps exist
- Research plan is updated to ensure the most significant risks to astronauts are being adequately addressed
- The research plan also specifies which of the available research platforms are best suited for filling the knowledge gaps



Bedrest



NASA Space  
Radiation  
Laboratory



Parabolic flight



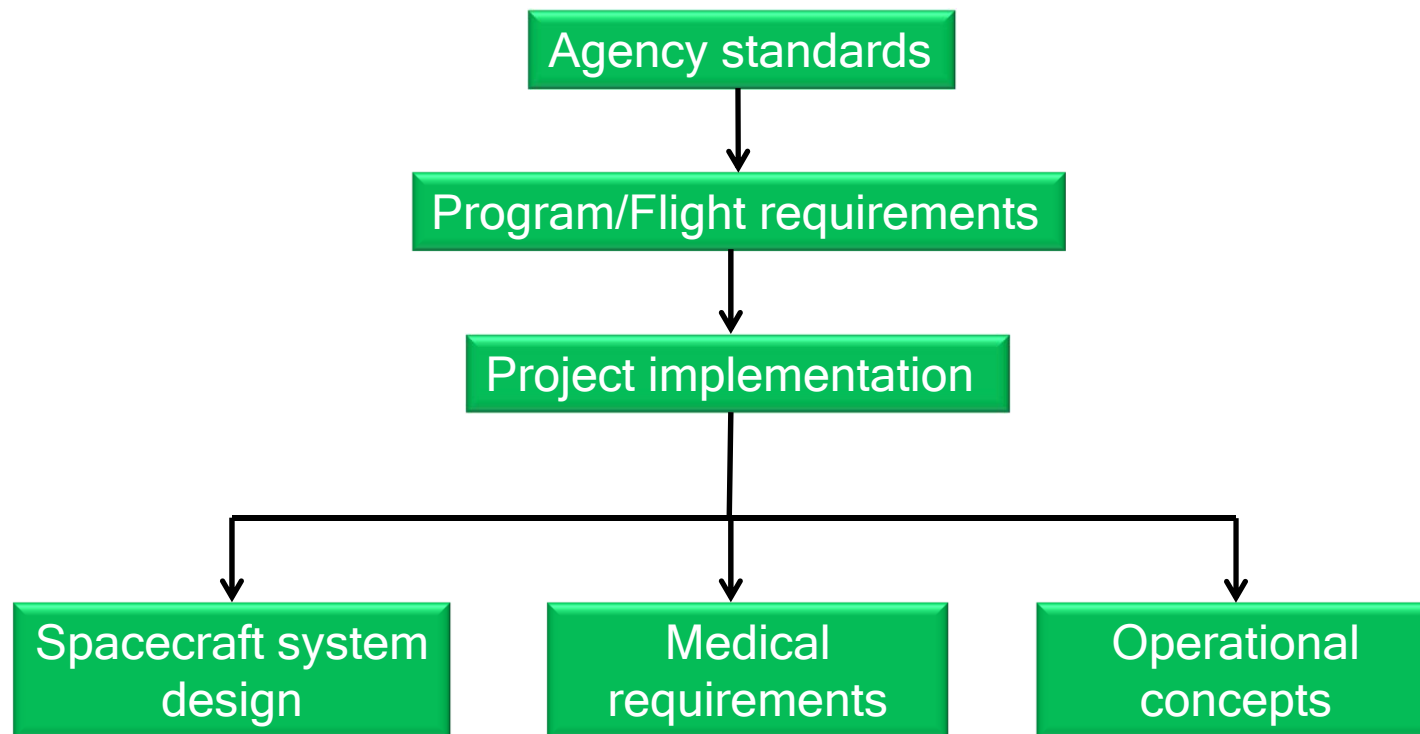
NEEMO  
(underwater  
analogue)



# Standards



- Evidence also contributes to the development of standards






# Standards



- Based on the best available clinical and scientific evidence, as well as experience from previous space flight missions
- Established to define acceptable levels of risk
- Reviewed as new evidence emerges
- Two volumes (NASA-STD-3001):
  - **Volume 1:** Crew health
    - Permissible exposure limits
    - Fitness-for-duty criteria
    - Permissible outcome limits
  - **Volume 2:** Human Factors, Habitability, & Environmental Health
    - Defines spacecraft standards
    - Focuses on human physical and cognitive capabilities and limitations

 NASA TECHNICAL STANDARD  National Aeronautics and Space Administration Washington, D.C. 20546-0001	NASA-STD-3001
	Approved: 03-05-2007 Expiration Date: 03-05-2012 Superseding NASA-STD-3000, Vol. 1, Chapter 7 and JSC 26882, Space Flight Health Requirements Document
NASA SPACE FLIGHT HUMAN SYSTEM STANDARD VOLUME 1: CREW HEALTH	





# Standards: Examples



Table 11 – Micronutrient Guidelines for Space Flight

Vitamin or Mineral	Daily Dietary Intake*
Vitamin A	700–900 µg
Vitamin D	25 µg
Vitamin K	Women: 90 µg
	Men: 120 µg
Vitamin E	15 mg
Vitamin C	90 mg
Vitamin B <sub>12</sub>	2.4 µg
Vitamin B <sub>6</sub>	1.7 mg
Thiamin	Women: 1.1 µmol
	Men: 1.2 µmol
Riboflavin	1.3 mg
Folate	400 µg
Niacin	16 mg niacin equivalents
Biotin	30 µg
Pantothenic acid	30 mg
Calcium	1200–2000 mg
Phosphorus	700 mg
	And $\leq 1.5 \times$ calcium intake

Volume 2

Table 1 – 50<sup>th</sup> Percentile Values for Maximal Aerobic Power (ml kg<sup>-1</sup>min<sup>-1</sup>)

Age	Men	Women
20-29	43.5	35.2
30-39	41.0	33.8
40-49	38.1	30.9
50-59	35.2	28.2
60+	31.8	25.8

Volume 1

Table 1 – Average Relative Humidity

Average RH	Time Allowed
RH $\leq$ 5%	1 hr
5% < RH $\leq$ 15%	2 hr
15% < RH $\leq$ 25%	4 hr
25% < RH $\leq$ 75% (nominal range <sup>1</sup> )	Indefinite <sup>2</sup>
75% < RH $\leq$ 85%	24 hr <sup>3</sup>
85% < RH $\leq$ 95%	12 hr <sup>3</sup>
95% < RH	8 hr <sup>3</sup>

Volume 2



# Technologies/Countermeasures

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- Meet medical and environmental standards
- Meet human system resource constraints (e.g., mass, volume, power, data)
- Ensure effective human system integration across exploration mission systems



**Orthostatic intolerance:**  
compression garments  
and fluid loading



**Space radiation:**  
polyethylene shielding  
in sleeping quarters



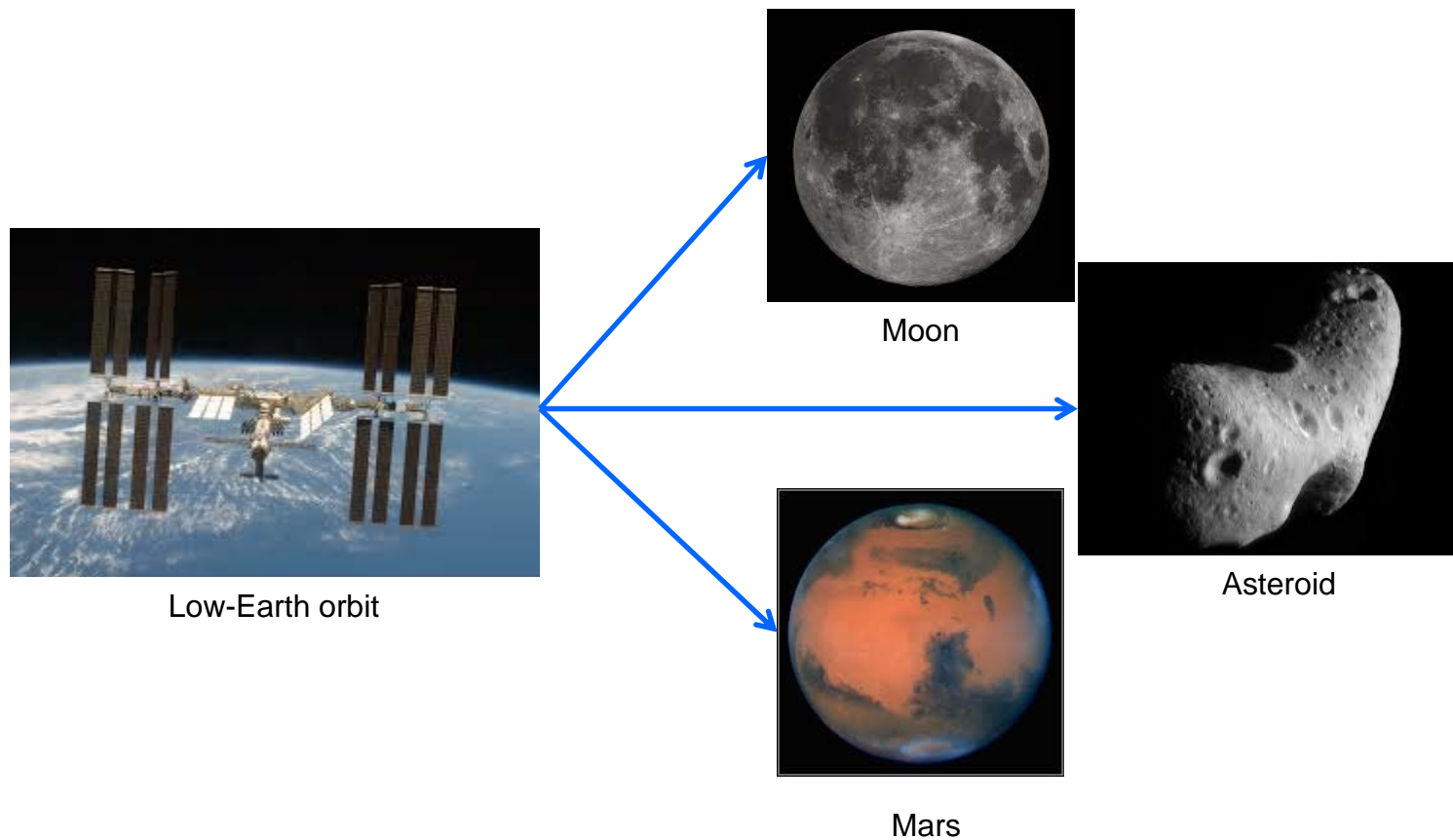
**Bone and muscle:**  
Advanced Resistive  
Exercise Device



# Technologies/Countermeasures



- Technologies and countermeasures should be developed for both current and future mission architectures

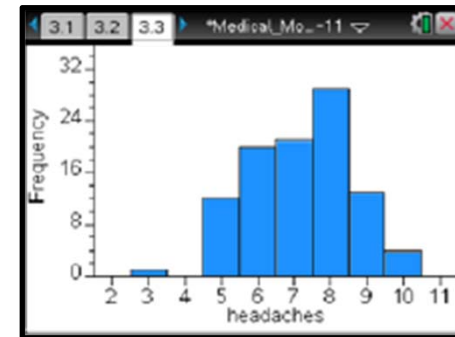




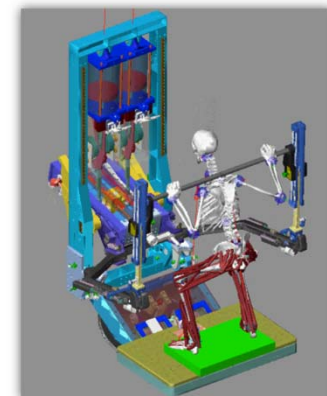
# Models



- Deliverables can include stand-alone models or input to existing or future models
- Model examples:
  - Integrated Medical Model (IMM): designed to quantify the probability of the medical risks and potential consequences that astronauts could experience during a mission
  - Digital Astronaut: utilizes simulations of physiological function to answer targeted questions about changes associated with the microgravity environment



Sample IMM output



Quantification of muscle force  
& joint torque produced by  
ARED



# Summary

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- The utility of HRP research results extends far beyond publications
- Results contribute to a variety of deliverables supporting risk mitigation and the advancement of human space exploration beyond low-Earth orbit:
  - Evidence Base
  - Risk characterization
  - Research plan development
  - Standards
  - Technologies/countermeasures
  - Models





# Questions?

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- Feel free to contact me with any questions regarding deliverables or if you have a specific deliverable you want to bring to the attention of HRP personnel

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